

Will the broadcast flag interfere with consumers ability to make copies of DTV content for their personal use, either on personal video recorders or removable media?

I feel that the broadcast flag will interfere with my ability to make copies of DTV content for my personal use. Why else would the proponents of this standard be asking for it. It will be similar to the attempts by Sony and others to prevent playing your own legally purchased music CD's on computers and mp3 players.

Would the digital flag interfere with consumers ability to send DTV content across networks, such as home digital networks connecting digital set top boxes, digital recorders, digital servers and digital display devices?

I feel this standard would limit my ability to send DTV content across home networks consisting of digital set top boxes and digital recorders.
(For my personal use)

Would the broadcast flag requirement limit consumers ability to use their existing electronic equipment (equipment not built to look for the flag) or make it difficult to use older components with new equipment that is compliant with the broadcast flag standard?

I also feel that the broadcast flag requirement would prevent me from incorporating my older equipment with equipment built to look for the broadcast flag.

Would a broadcast flag requirement limit the development of future equipment providing consumers with new options?

Most importantly the flag requirement will have a chilling effect on the development of future equipment providing me with new options and capabilities.

What will be the cost impact, if any, that a broadcast flag requirement would have on consumer electronics equipment?

I also feel that this requirement will have an adverse monetary impact. Implementation of the broadcast flag requirement in new equipment will raise the cost of such equipment and put it out of reach of lower income people.